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TAGS: ELAB, CO

SUBJ: TAXI AND BUS DRIVERS STRIKE IN BOGOTA

USCINCSO FOR POLAD

1. BOGOTA

WAS HIT BY STRIKE OF BUS AND TAXI DRIVERS EARLY OCT
1/73. CONTRARY TO CLAIM OF LABOR MIN SOURCES, STRIKE WAS NEARLY
TOTAL IN BOGOTA BUT AS OF COB OCT 1 IT HAD NOT EXTENDED TO OTHER
MAJOR CITIES. LAB MIN HAS DECLARED STRIKE ILLEGAL.

2. SCATTERED VIOLENCE OCCURED IN SOUTHERN BOGOTA BUT POLICE
AND MIL HAVE SO FAR CONTAINED POTENIALLY EXPLOSIVE SITUATION.

3. COLOMBIAN LAB CONFEDERATION (CTC) SOURCES CLAIMED THAT ORE
THAN 50 CHAUFFERS UNIONS, INCLUDING CTC AFFILIATE, ARE UNITED
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WORK DAY AND OTHER BENEFITS, AND WILL STAY OUT UNTIL DEMANDS

ARE MET.

4. LATE LAST WEEK CHAUFFERS AND BUS AND TAXI OWNERS HAD THREAT-
ENED JOINT STRIKE IF GOC DID NOT ALLOW FARE INCREASE. STRIKE
BY OWNERS WAS AVOIDED WHEN GOC AGREED TO INCREASE GOVT TRANS-
PORTATION SUBSIDY, BUT FAILURE OF OWNERS TO AGREE TO SHARE
INCREASE WITH CHAUFFERS, ACCORDING TO CTC SOURCES, LED TO THE
DRIVERS' STRIKE. WHITE

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